

FINAL Minutes of the October 22, 2015 Meeting of the Midway Noise Compatibility Commission

The regular quarterly meeting of the Midway Noise Compatibility Commission (MNCC) was held October 22, 2015, at The Mayfield, 6072 South Archer Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Chairman Thomas Baliga called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Chairman Baliga opened the meeting by explaining that the MNCC meeting was held pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Chairman Baliga asked Marcie Vasta, a representative for the Chicago Department of Aviation, to record the minutes.

The following members were **present**:

Jerry Ponio – Bedford Park (*Representing Mayor David Brady*)
Norma Pinion – Bridgeview (*Representing Mayor Steve Landek*)
Mayor Harry Klein – Burbank
Jose Alvarez – Cicero (*Representing Mayor Larry Dominick*)
Tom Sheahan – Lyons (*Representing Mayor Christopher Getty*)
Mitch Milenkovic – Stickney (*Representing Mayor Deborah Morelli*)
Mayor Sergio Rodriguez – Summit
Gail Conwell – Chicago Ward 13
Nance Dulaj – Chicago Ward 13
Joseph Loduca – Chicago Ward 13
Thomas Baliga – Chicago Ward 14
Christopher Koczwara – Chicago Ward 14

The following members were **not present**:

Mayor Richard Grenvich – Forest View
Frank Damato – Cook County (*Representing Board President Toni Preckwinkle*)
Kenneth Pannaralla – Chicago Ward 13
Stan Lihosit – Chicago Ward 14
Michael Boland – Chicago Department of Aviation (*Representing Commissioner Ginger Evans*)

Also present:

Aaron Frame, Assistant Commissioner – Chicago Department of Aviation
Forest Lombaer, Chief Assistant Corporation Counsel – Chicago Department of Law
Jeffrey Jackson, Senior Managing Consultant – Landrum & Brown
Marcie Vasta, Administrative Assistant – Residential Sound Insulation Program

Quorum was met with 12 of the 17 members present.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. July 23, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Chairman Baliga asked if there were any changes to the July 23, 2015 meeting minutes. There were no changes and a motion to approve was made by Ms. Pinion and seconded by Mayor Klein. The motion passed unanimously.

CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION (“CDA”) REPORT

A. Renewal of the Intergovernmental Agreement

The Chicago Department of Aviation has initiated paperwork and introduced an ordinance to the City Council requesting that the agreement, which expires at the end of 2015, be renewed for the next five years with some minor updates. It is scheduled to be heard in council chambers in mid-November. Following that, Mr. Frame will send the formal intergovernmental agreements for execution by the current members.

Chairman Baliga asked the age of the Commission and Mr. Frame replied that it was established in February of 1996 making it 19 years old. Chairman Baliga commented that because Forest View rarely participates, which impacts quorum, their position as a member of the intergovernmental agreement should be dependent on their willingness to participate in the future. Mr. Frame replied that the signed agreements need to be returned by the village boards by December 25th so that finalizing can be completed by the end of this year. If an individual intergovernmental agreement has not been returned by December 31st the former member will not be included in roll call for January 2016.

B. Presentation: 3rd Quarter 2015 Airport Noise Management System (“ANMS”) Report

Mr. Frame asked Mr. Jackson of Landrum & Brown to present the 3rd Quarter 2015 Airport Noise Management System Report.

Mr. Jackson pointed out that the link to the Midway Noise Management webpage has been updated. The update is indicated on the cover page of the 3rd Quarter ANMS Report. He then provided a brief overview of the information contained in the report and proceeded with the details.

Runway Use Report

In the 3rd quarter the most used departure runway was 31C with 43% of all departures for all hours. The most used arrival runway was 04L/04R with 37% of all arrivals.

July – The most used departure runway was 31C with 43% which equates to approximately 159 departures per day. Next was 22R/22L with 22% which was approximately 65% of the traffic departing west.

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The most used arrival runway was 04L/04R with 48% which equates to approximately 171 arrivals daily. Next was 31C with 32%, followed by 22L/22R with 20% and last 13C which had no arrival use.

August

The most used departure runway was 31C with 51% of all departures moving west. Next was 02L/02R with 33%, followed by 04L/04R with 13% and last 13C with 3%.

The most used arrival runway was 31C with 52%, followed by 04L/04R with 25%, then 22R/22L with 23% and last was 13C which had no arrivals.

September

The most used departure runway was 22R/22L with 39%, followed by 31C with 36%, then 04L/04R with 20% and last 13C with 5%.

The most used arrival runway was 04L/04R with 39%, followed by 22R/22L with 38%, then 31C with 23% and last 13C with no arrivals.

Airline Fleet Mix Report

There was an average of 722 operations per day with 94 of those occurring at night. Southwest Airlines had the highest operations with an average of 492 operations per day with 75 of those occurring at night. The B737 used almost exclusively by Southwest was the most used aircraft with an average of 494 operations per day. General Aviation followed with 171 operations per day 8 of which were helicopters.

Per Chairman Baliga's request Mr. Jackson reviewed the nighttime penalty. He replied that according to the Federal standard governing many airports, flights occurring between the hours of 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. that exceed the DNL metric are treated with a penalty.

Permanent Noise Monitor Locations

The report indicates the addresses of the 13 permanent noise monitor locations near the airport as reflected in relation to the Midway 2018 Noise Contour. The report shows the results for July 2015 thru September 2015 with quarterly breakdowns and a 12 month rolling average. The 3rd quarter 2015 results are compared to those of the 3rd quarter 2014. Over the past year there have been many complaints regarding arrival noise on 22L/22R. As a result new procedures have been implemented and a new permanent noise monitor (Site 314) was installed in the 12th Ward. This increased the number of permanent monitors from 12 to 13.

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Noise Hotline Report

The total number of complaints for the 3rd quarter was 4,151. There is a noticeable increase in the number of communities submitting complaints from the previous quarters. There were also numerous complaints from single addresses. Over 1,000 complaints came from one address in Indian Head Park. Another example is Chicago Ridge with 179 complaints from a single address. Of the 4,151 calls received 878 were made at night.

New Flight Tracking Program

Mr. Frame provided a slide overview of the new WebTrak detailing the Flight Tracking Program on the new Fly Chicago website. The flights are live, with a 20 minute delay required by FAA for aviation security purposes. The range of the flight program is approximately 40 miles. Some of the many tab features Mr. Frame discussed that are available on the site included information on arrivals and departures (red indicating arrivals and blue departures), current weather conditions, wind direction, and size and type of aircraft to name a few. He invited the members to contact him with any questions they may have regarding this new program.

C. Long-Term Portable Noise Monitor Report

At the request of the Commission, a long-term portable noise monitor was installed for a three month period (June, July and August) at Reavis High School in the southwest quadrant of Midway. The monitor has been removed and the results for the three month period showed an average noise level of 54.5 DNL. Another long-term portable noise monitor is scheduled to be installed in the near future in the southeast quadrant of Midway.

Mayor Klein noted in addition to the residents in the area, the noise level also has a very disruptive impact on the students attending Reavis and Queen of Peace schools.

D. Permanent Noise Monitors

Status of Equipment Replacement for Existing Sites

Over the course of the summer the electronics were updated on all 12 of the permanent noise monitors. In response to Chairman Baliga's inquiry Mr. Frame confirmed that all of the replacement equipment is American made.

Status of Equipment Installation for New Site 314

The installation of the new monitor at Site 314 inside the border of Ward 12 is complete. Currently it is running on battery power. The last task remaining is confirmation with ComEd to turn on the permanent power.

CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Residential Sound Insulation Sub-Committee Report

Ms. Conwell presented the Residential Sound Insulation Sub-committee Report (see attached).

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Mr. Stephan provided a follow up slide presentation showing the process used in the sound insulation of multi-family buildings that are five units and above.

Mr. Frame indicated that because of the Commission's efforts over the years to obtain additional funding the program now provides these multi-family dwelling units the opportunity to participate. Mr. Frame also stated that the total amount of Federal grant money received last year and this year in the amount of \$22.8M offset the cost of keeping the program running.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Resolution 2015-A: Meeting Schedule for 2016

Chairman Baliga read Resolution 2015-A for the benefit of the audience (see attached). Chairman Baliga then asked if there was a motion to approve Resolution 2015-A. Motion to approve was made by Ms. Pinion and seconded by Ms. Conwell. Resolution 2015-A was unanimously approved.

As a last item, Chairman Baliga asked Mr. Frame to pursue arranging a meeting between the executive board and the FAA regarding the flight paths. Mr. Frame affirmed that he would follow up and per the Chairman's request, make an effort to arrange the meeting within this next quarter.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Baliga asked if there were any further questions or new business requiring further discussion. With none, a motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Klein and seconded by Ms. Dulaj. The motion passed and Chairman Baliga adjourned the meeting at 7:34 p.m. and informed those present that the next meeting of the Midway Noise Compatibility Commission will be held on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at The Mayfield, Chicago.

**Chicago Midway International Airport
Residential Sound Insulation Program
Sub-Committee Report
October 2015**

For Phase 15,

- There are currently 2,133 dwelling units enrolled in the Program.
- Property inspections have been conducted on all of the single-family through 4 unit buildings units enrolled in the Program.
- Home inventories have been completed on 95% of the dwelling units enrolled in the Program.
- For the 500 homes in Bid Package 1, construction is complete.
- For the 487 homes in Bid Package 2, construction is 29% complete.
- For Bid Packages 3, 4, and 5, which contain approximately 400 homes each, field measurements are in progress.
- All Phase 15 homes are scheduled for completion in the second quarter of 2016.

Now Bill Stephan of the Residential Sound Insulation Program will make a presentation about sound insulation of larger buildings with five or more dwelling units.